Mr. G. B. E. Truscott (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) ; Yes.

Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib : May I know whether any action was taken in pursuance of the proposal ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : A survey was conducted and an estimate was prepared.

Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib : May I know at what stage the work is now ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : No further progress has been made.

Stipendiary students taken for L. T. course.

2. ***Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib** Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any rule that stipendiary students taken for L. T. course will not be re-entertained in service unless they pass L. T. ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : The answer is in the negative.

Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib : May I know whether there are any Muslim L.T. students who have finished their studies and have not been re-entertained in service ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : I know one case of a student who has finished her course for the L. T. but has not been entertained in service.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail (*Nominated*) : May I know whether there is any instance of a stipendiary student who has passed L. T. being not re-entertained ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : I claim notice.

Theft of cerbera odalam from the Science College Laboratory.

3. ***Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai** : (*Quilon cum Kunnathur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any quantity of *cerbera odalam* was taken away by any person in Meenam 1112 M. E. from the chemical laboratory of the Science College, Trivandrum ;

(*b*) whether *cerbera odalam* is a poison ;

(*c*) whether a report was made by any person in charge of the laboratory to the Principal of the Science College ;

(*d*) whether the Principal of the Science College informed the Police Inspector, Cantonment, about it ;

(*e*) whether the person who took away *cerbera odalam* was found out ;

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(*f*) if so, the name of that person ;

(*g*) whether any action was taken against him ; and

(*h*) if not, why not ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes, to a certain extent.

(*c*) to (*h*). These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai: With reference to answer to part (*a*) may I know whether there is any quantity of *cerbera odalam* in the Science College laboratory?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : *Cerbera odalam* is a tree. There is no such tree in the Science College.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai : May I know whether there is a poison called *cerbera odalam* extracted from *cerbera odalam* in the Science College ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : There are several chemicals extracted from *cerbera odalam* some of which are of a poisonous character.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai : May I know whether there is this particular poison extracted from *cerbera odalam* in the Science College laboratory ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : As I have already stated there are several substances extracted from *cerbera odalam* some of which are poisonous. I may add that the properties of these substances are not yet well known.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai : May I know whether any quantity of 'cerbera odalam' was lost from the Science College in Meenam last?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : No, Sir.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai : With reference to answer to part (b) May I know to what extent it is poisonous? In the answer it is said "yes, to a certain extent." May I know whether it is enough to kill a person ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill ; Some of its components are capable of killing a person if taken in sufficient quantity.

Transport Reorganisation Committee.

4. ***Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair** (*Trivandrum and Nedumangad* cum *Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total expenditure incurred by the committee for reorganising the transport system up to end of 30-10-1112 giving also the amounts spent under different heads such as travelling allowances, salary etc.;

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